

PROVIDING FOR THE CONTINUATION OF CLERICAL AND
OTHER ASSISTANTS ON THE PAYROLL OF THE SENATE
UPON THE RESIGNATION OF A SENATOR

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Mr. HAYDEN, from the Committee on Rules and Administration,
submitted the following

R E P O R T

[To accompany S. Res. 5]

The Committee on Rules and Administration, to whom was referred the resolution (S. Res. 5) providing for the continuation of clerical and other assistants on the payroll of the Senate upon the resignation of a Senator, having considered the same, report it to the Senate, with an amendment, and recommend that it be agreed to as amended.

The purpose of this resolution is to continue for a period of not to exceed 30 days all clerical and other assistants on the payroll of a Senator at the time of his resignation from office. This is in conformity with past practices of the Senate which has on several occasions continued the staffs of resigning Senators on the payroll by resolution for periods of from 15 to 60 days. Examples of these have been as follows: Senate Resolution 178, Seventy-ninth Congress, first session, agreed to September 27, 1945, continued the clerical assistants of Senator Harold H. Burton on the payroll for a period not exceeding 1 month; Senate Resolution 302, Seventy-ninth Congress, second session, agreed to July 22, 1946, continued the clerical assistants of Senator Warren R. Austin on the payroll for 60 days; Senate Resolution 159, Eighty-first Congress, first session, agreed to August 23, 1949, continued the clerical assistants of Senator J. Howard McGrath on the payroll for 15 days; Senate Resolution 380, Eighty-first Congress, second session, agreed to December 21, 1950, continued the clerical assistants of Senator Edward L. Leahy on the payroll for 15 days.

This resolution (S. Res. 5) will obviate the necessity for Senate action on resolutions such as the foregoing by making it a standing

order of the Senate that all such staffs of resigning Senators henceforth will be paid automatically from the Senate contingent fund. In the House of Representatives at the present time clerical assistants, upon resignation of a Member, are borne on the payrolls at their respective salaries until a successor to such Member is elected. Your committee feels, in view of the existing powers of governors to appoint successors to resigning Senators, that 30 days constitutes a sufficient period of terminal employment for the staffs of Senators leaving the Senate by their own will.

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